

Claim 23 recites a transfer line including "a plurality of pipe segments according to claim 1." The pipe segment of claim 1 includes the particular structure, i.e., the outer pipe section, the inner pipe section and the support means, set forth in the Office Action at page 2, section 2. Because dependent claims 25-29 properly depend ultimately from claim 1, claims 25-29 necessarily include the limitations of claim 1 and therefore do require the particular structure recited in the invention of Group I. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the claims of Groups I and II have unity of invention and the restriction requirement is improper.

For the above reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement relative to Groups I and II, and examination of each of claims 1-29 presently pending in this application, is respectfully requested.

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